

PATENT  
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IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously Presented) An illumination system, comprising a radiation source and a fluorescent material comprising at least one phosphor capable of absorbing a part of light emitted by the radiation source and emitting visible light of wavelength different from that of the absorbed light; wherein said at least one phosphor is an oxido-nitrido-silicate of general formula

$EA_{2-z}Si_{5-a}B_aN_{8-a}O_z:Ln_z$ , wherein  $0 < z \leq 1$  and  $0 < a < 5$ , comprising at least one element EA selected from the group consisting of Mg, Ca, Ba and Zn and at least one element B selected from the group consisting of Ga and In, and being activated by a lanthanide selected from the group consisting of cerium, europium, terbium, praseodymium and mixtures thereof.